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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION AND RCE UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Dear Examiner:

This Amendment and Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") are submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 8, 2006, for the above-noted patent application.

Applicants respectfully request that the Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO"):

1. Please enter the amendments to the claims in section I, beginning on page 2.
2. Please consider the amendments to the claims in section I in view of the remarks in section II, beginning on page 11.